



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PATENT APPLICATION OF: WAN, Ping et al

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EXAMINER: PAYNE, David

SUBJECT: CHANNEL IDENTIFICATION IN COMMUNICATIONS

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10 ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C., 20231, U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO SECOND OFFICE ACTION

This is a response to the Office Action mailed on January 26, 2005, in which claims 1-5 and 10-15 have been allowed, claims 8 and 9 have been objected, and claims 6 and 7 have been rejected.

The Examiner is thanked for the detailed comments and for the thorough examination of this application.

The Applicants request to further amend claims of this application in the following manner:

Claim 6 has been amended.